

BASC Meeting Minutes

7/14/10

BASC Attendees:

Peter Hannah
Rodney Baker
Rex Reynolds
Bradley Adams
Tim Barnack

Clint Patterson
James Moore
Dave Stone
Scott Erwin
Jo Somers

Other Attendees:

Ken Rex, Blake Hudson

Meeting was called to order at 5:02 pm.

Minutes

June 9 meeting minutes were approved.

PSA

- 2 versions of the 28 second PSA were shown and are already on the city television station
- the 2nd version with more verbage is preferred
- this PSA is intended as a 30 second awareness blast and to celebrate cycling in Huntsville, not an educational video
- the following recommendations were made for future PSAs: make the focus on motorists sharing the road but still include a couple of seconds about the responsibilities of cyclists, show cyclists acting and being treated as operators of vehicles instead of a group ride on a closed course, focus on commuting or transportation in general
- the video will be distributed to the city's media council

City Website

- the subcommittee has not completed its action item
- Rex Reynolds said Trent will assist with creating a conduit to get information to the city quicker, so the subcommittee will not have to create PDFs for each update and use the form
- Clint Patterson will email Rex the immediate changes to the website ASAP
- the subcommittee will handle the detailed issues after the system is set up
- additional items to add include the following: link to show LAB classes, the bike map, similar content to what other cities have

Grants

- James Moore sent the RFP for CARS to ALDOT, ALDOT asked for a revised work plan and James sent it, ALDOT has not yet responded on that
- Cecil Colson at ALDOT says the work plan will probably be approved this time
- James received a BIKESAFE book and CD from FHWA in Montgomery, and they said they will provide more if it will help with CARS

- the TIGER grant subcommittee will be established later

LAB Bicycle Friendly status

- the subcommittee will prepare to apply for Bicycle Friendly Status for February 2011
- Jo Somers will begin collecting relevant information from Traffic Engineering

Bylaws

- James Moore distributed a 3 page draft of bylaws for the committee to review

Parking Ordinance

- Dave Stone went to the public hearing and was the only member of the public that spoke
- the bicycle parking ordinance was passed
- voting was postponed until the next meeting for the entire parking ordinance

LAB Memorial Fund

- the Bayler family would like for the donations collected in lieu of flowers to go to a scholarship fund for training new LCIs in the area; money collected from BASC members will be added to this
- Dave Stone's recommendation for funding was 2 SCCC, 2 BASC, and 1 from another city in north Alabama
- Traffic Skills 101 is a prerequisite that costs \$50 and will be offered August 21 at Safety City; the course will also be offered September 25 in Birmingham
- the list of LAB classes should be posted on hsvbike also
- this scholarship opportunity and the prerequisite and dates should be advertised on hsvbike and the city bike page so that potential applicants can be ready
- we need to look into how to more effectively market this to non-traditional cyclists
- Ken Rex suggested OSHA classes at UAH and James Moore suggested summer classes at UAH; Scott Erwin will advertise to parents through Safety City
- Bradley Adams will invite an official from the state troopers to a BASC meeting and investigate getting an officer training program on cyclists added like HPD has
- Peter Hannah would like to have a segment added to traffic school that offenders attend

Progress Report from Traffic Engineering

- part of Max Luther Dr was recently resurfaced; now 4/10 mile has bike lanes; the turn offs and intersections will be improved over the Oakwood one
- Traffic Engineering will consider every new resurfacing projects for retrofit bike lanes
- Ken Rex will make a request for Share the Road signs around the jetplex on behalf of Mike and Sharon, and money from SCCC members may be used for this project
- approximately 104.6 miles of bike routes have the green and white signs, 87 miles are left
- 12 boxes of bike maps are left; Jo Somers has been collecting comments but does not have many

Pro Bike/Pro Walk

- James Moore may attend

Police Reports

- on July 4 around 8:52pm a cyclist was struck by the passenger mirror of a 4 door maroon vehicle while driving northbound on Triana Blvd near 14th Ave; it was a hit and run with injuries, so it is an automatic felony if the motorist is caught; the victim is a 57 year old homeless man

Mayor's Ride

- thank you notes were sent to Earth Fare, Microwave Dave, and Scallywags

Next Meeting

The next meeting is August 11 at 5pm